

# Association Française du Poney Shetland

Groupement des Eleveurs de Poneys Shetland

Association officielle régie par la Ministère de l'Agriculture pour la sélection et la promotion de la race Shetland en France

## FIRST RIDDEN CLASS



#### • The ring:

- The ring must be at least 40m x 20m and may be bigger, depending on the number of participants in the class.
- The ring can be on grass or sand.

#### The pony:

- The pony must be 4 years old or over.
- The pony may be shod.
- Mares with foals at foot are not accepted.
- Stallions are not accepted.

#### Equipment:

- The saddle and bridle should be well fitting, clean and in good condition.
- Snaffle bit is requested.
- Side reins, blinkers and gag or elevator bits are not authorised.
- Martingales are authorised, but may lead to a deduction of points.
- Whips may be a maximum of 75cm. Any abusive use of the whip will be sanctioned severely.
- Spurs are not authorised.

#### • The rider:

- The rider should be under 12 years old (must not turn 12 in 2020).
- The rider must wear a riding hat.
- A good fitting riding hat must be worn.
- The rider's attire should be appropriate, clean and elegant.

#### • The course:

- Any ponies or couples deemed dangerous, will be asked to leave the ring by the jury.
- Fall: if a rider falls, he must leave the ring on foot and is eliminated.



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## Class proceedings:

- The participants will enter the ring in walk, one behind the other (please respect the distance between ponies. You may overtake without being penalised).
- When asked to do so by the judge, all the participants will trot around the ring.
- When asked to do so by the judge, the participants will change the rein on the diagonal.
- When asked to do so by the judge, the participants will go back into walk.
- The participants will then line up on the center line of the ring facing the judge.
- Each participant, when asked to do so by the judge, will complete his individual show :
  - Walk towards the judge,
  - Halt facing the judge,
  - Continue in walk,
  - Figure of 8 in trot,
  - o Optional (if the rider has a suitable level): figure of 8 in canter, trot on the diagonals,
  - Trot back towards the judge.
  - Progressive halt, salute and return to his place in the lineup.
- After everyone has done their individual show, the judge will ask the participants to walk around the ring one behind another.
- The judge will line up the participants in order of ranking along the center line.
- Rosettes and prizes will be given.
- The participants will do a lap of honour and leave the ring in working trot.

### Marks given:

Execution of movements	/10
Technique	
Behaviour of rider and pony	/10
Pony's behaviour towards other ponies	
Overall impression/harmony between rider and pony	
Conformation, type	/30
Paces/gaits	/20
⊏> Total ·	/100